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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: 29985/01-180

PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53

**Box Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Tracee E.J. Eidenschink

Title: HYPOTUBE WITH IMPROVED STRAIN RELIEF

1. Type of Application


- ☒ This is a new application for a
- ☒ utility patent.
- ☐ design patent.
- ☐ This is a continuation-in-part application of prior application no.

2. Application Papers Enclosed

- 1 Title Page
- 9 Pages of Specification (excluding Claims, Abstract, Drawings & Sequence Listing)
- 10 Page(s) of Claims
- 1 Page(s) of Abstract
- 3 Sheet(s) of Drawings (Figs. 1 to 17)
- ☐ Formal
- ☒ Informal
- 0 Page(s) of Sequence Listing

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

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- #### 4. Small Entity Status

- ## 5. Additional Papers Enclosed

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6. **Priority Applications Under 35 USC 119**

Certified copies of applications from which priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed are listed below and

☐ are attached.

☐ will follow.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NO.	FILED

7. **Filing Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

A. ☒ **Utility Application**

CLAIMS AS FILED - INCLUDING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (IF ANY)						
			SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$370.00		\$740.00
TOTAL	75 -20	= 55	X 9 =	\$	X 18 =	\$990.00
INDEP.	7 - 3	= 4	X 42 =	\$	X 84 =	\$336.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			+ 140 =	\$	+ 280 =	\$
Filing Fee:				\$	OR	\$2066.00

B. ☐ **Design Application (\$165.00/\$330.00)** Filing Fee: \$ _____

C. ☐ **Plant Application (\$255.00/\$510.00)** Filing Fee: \$ _____

D. **Other Fees**

☐ Recording Assignment [Fee -- \$40.00 per assignment] \$ _____

☐ Petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or cannot be reached [Fee -- \$130.00] \$ _____

☐ Other \$ _____

Total Fees Enclosed \$2066.00

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- ☒ Enclosed check in the amount of: \$2066.00
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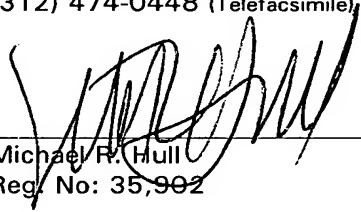
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